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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES

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Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit Customers.

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March 5, 1878.

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VEYRON'S FRENCH COFFEE MACHINES, Assorted Sizes, New System, with Automatic Lamp. COFFEE ROASTERS, and COFFEE MILLS. SETS OF GARDENING UTENSILS. GENT'S TOOL CHESTS. MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS. METALLIC MEASURING TAPES, in strong Leather Cases. SPIRIT LEVELS. HAMMERS. DOG COLLARS and CHAINS. SAILOR'S SEWING and ROPING PALMS. COPPER SIGNAL LAMPS, & MAST-HEAD LAMPS, fitted with Dioptric Lenses according to the latest Admiralty regulations. DIOPTRIC LENSES for Signal Lamps. PORTHOLE GLASSES, assorted sizes. BOOKS.

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Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

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VARNISHES—Copal.

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Hongkong, June 19, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have received instruc-

tions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

on the Premises, at Noon on SATURDAY,

20th of JULY, all the valuable LAND,

HOUSES, &c., &c., situated at the Port of

TAMSUI, FORMOSA, and known as

the PAOU-SUN PROPERTY, in TWO

LOTS.

Lot 1 consisting of GODOWNS, DWELL-

ING HOUSE, GARDENS, STABLING

&c., &c.

Lot 2 a plot of UPLAND GROUND very

suitable for building purposes.

For particulars of property, and terms of

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THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 4674.—JUNE 27, 1878.]

Intimations.

5th DRAWING.

Chinese Imperial 8 per cent. Loan of 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at par, in Hongkong, on the 30th of June, and in London, on the 19th of August next, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, situate No. 31, Lombard Street, in this City, in the presence of Mr WILLIAM NICHOLLS, Acting Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

314 Bonds Nos.—

14	710	1405	2107	2809	3514	4203	4914	5620
36	723	1429	2121	2829	3521	4230	4935	5623
45	741	1442	2145	2857	3552	4258	4956	5647
76	767	1473	2167	2874	3566	4270	4969	5675
99	794	1487	2190	2898	3585	4281	4994	5695
105	814	1520	2214	2919	3617	4309	5003	5711
124	823	1534	2233	2926	3624	4336	5022	5734
144	844	1551	2243	2932	3646	4350	5047	5755
170	862	1577	2262	2950	3674	4372	5082	5770
195	887	1586	2283	2952	3696	4399	5095	5790
208	909	1601	2313	3009	3703	4401	5112	5819
221	935	1629	2331	3036	3730	4453	5132	5832
252	945	1660	2358	3060	3751	4451	5155	5846
263	966	1667	2362	3079	3765	4463	5171	5871
265	984	1700	2385	3098	3786	4498	5190	5894
305	1007	1717	2417	3118	3801	4510	5206	5906
324	1022	1730	2439	3136	3831	4538	5228	5931
354	1056	1757	2453	3157	3851	4549	5250	5957
377	1082	1771	2477	3165	3873	4565	5272	5971
389	1083	1786	2500	3191	3889	4598	5286	5995
416	1106	1805	2505	3207	3908	4606	5316	6020
437	1126	1827	2537	3231	3928	4631	5338	6023
448	1146	1848	2553	3251	3944	4654	5352	6050
461	1167	1864	2566	3272	3977	4675	5361	6073
498	1195	1886	2593	3300	3996	4685	5387	6093
509	1207	1903	2603	3320	4007	4713	5415	6113
522	1222	1925	2632	3327	4032	4738	5426	6129
564	1243	1962	2655	3342	4042	4758	5460	6158
577	1262	1969	2669	3370	4068	4768	5464	6162
588	1289	1986	2698	3393	4094	4783	5489	6193
620	1313	2017	2706	3408	4117	4809	5508	6209
632	1323	2027	2729	3438	4139	4825	5540	6222
646	1369	2053	2745	3448	4158	4849	5556	6237
676	1383	2088	2778	3463	4176	4864	5583	6266
699	1392	2100	2794	3489	4197	4892	5593	

For £100 Sterling each, = £31,400.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

W.M. NICHOLLS,
Acting Accountant.

Countersigned,

W. VENN, Junior,
Notary Public,

2, Pope's Head Alley, Cornhill, E.C.

LONDON, 17th April, 1878.

**BALL'S
NECTAR O'ODIAL,
MADE FROM HERBS,
A STIMULANT AND APPETIZER.**

WHOLESALE AGENTS FOR GREAT BRITAIN:
MESSRS GEO. CURLING & CO.,
St. Mary Axe, London.

W. BALL,
China Dispensary, Hongkong.
June 20, 1878. Jy20

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

HANLEY B. HYDE, President;
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President;
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary;
A. A. HAYES JR., General Manager, for
China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the
above Company, are prepared to Accept
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon
terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars,
apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE

D. R. ROGERS begs to intimate to his
Friends that he is about to visit
SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hong-
kong from April 1st to June 15th.

Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIES, TOILET
REQUIREMENTS, PATENT MEDIC-
CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,
Hongkong, July 18, 1878.

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. BYRD,

and to

H. L. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS

OF RUSSIA.

HAS on hand the Largest and Best
collection of Views of China, Photog-
raphs of the Ruins and destructions at
Canton, caused by the Tornado of the
14th Instant. Coloured Photographs of
English Ladies, Russa Leather, Velvet,
Morocco, and Carved-wood Photographic
Albums; Scrap Books, Armorial Monograms
and Postage Stamp Albums; Frames and
Cases, Gift Moulding for Frames, all of
assorted sizes, tastes and prices.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The above has the pleasure to inform his
numerous Customers and the Public of
Hongkong, that his Photographic Establish-
ment is removed to the Newly-erected
Quadrangular Building in Queen's Road
Central, next to Messrs BAKER & CO.'s
Newhouse, April 26, 1878.

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE.

WHEREAS it having become known to
the Proprietors of DR. BRIGHT'S
PHOSPHODYNE that a Medicine, emanating
from an unscrupulous London firm, is ex-
ported to India and China, and foisted on
purchasers equal in efficacy to Dr. Bright's
Phosphodyne, they feel it due to the public
to specially caution them against this com-
pound and request their most careful atten-
tion to the following distinctive char-
acteristics of Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne:

1st.—That Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne is
sold only in cases.

2nd.—The words "DR. BRIGHT'S PHOS-
PHODYNE" are clearly blown in each bottle.

3rd.—The Registered Trade Mark and
Signature of Patentee are printed on
the label of every case.

4th.—Directions for use in all the follow-
ing languages are enclosed in each
case, without which none can POS-
SESS it genuine.

English, French, German, Italian, Dutch,
Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Danish,
Turkish, Persian, Hindostani, Madrasse,
Bengali, Chinese and Japanese.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is
the Only Reliable Remedy for
Nervous and Liver Complaints
and all Functional Derangements.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is
patronized by the aristocracy and the elite,
extensively used in the army and navy, and
strongly recommended by the leading
Medical Practitioners.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is
sold by all Chemists and Patent
Medicine Vendors throughout the Globe.

N.B.—Ask for DR. BRIGHT'S PHOS-
PHODYNE, and do not be persuaded to
buy any inferior and possibly dangerous
substitute.

MEMORANDA.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company
will be CLOSED from the 19th to
28th Instant, both days inclusive.

THOS. D. C. PARKER,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, June 4, 1878. Jy28

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th to
29th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

OLYPHANT & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, June 10, 1878. Jy1

CONSULADO DE ESPAÑA.

HASTA el dia 30 del corriente a las 12 del medio dia se recibirán en este Consulado, por pliegos sellados propuestas para la subasta de las OBRAS DE REPARACIONES que hay que ejecutar en el Transporte de Guerra Español "MARQUES DE LA VICTORIA".

En la Cancillería de este Consulado está de manifiesto el detalle de las Obras y el pliego de Condiciones para la subasta.

EDUARDO TODA.

Hongkong, 20 de Junio de 1878. Jy1

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:

AMERICA, British steamer, Captain J.
Graham.—BIRLEY & CO.

ANNIE LOBBY, British barque, Captain
A. Galea.—Borneo Co. Limited

WM. H. DEUTZ, American 3-m. schooner,
Captain I. S. Endicott.—Meyer & Co.

MARTHA EBELCKEMLAAN, German

God; he believed in the devil. Mr May endeavoured to make him understand that if he believed in the devil, the prince of evil, he must of necessity believe in God, the power of all good, the antithesis of the evil one. The witness was very stubborn, and had to be threatened with imprisonment before he would comply, which he did very reluctantly. Nothing sensible could be got out of him, however; he professed to be able to speak French, Spanish and Italian, but when spoken to in French by Mr Ede he was just as stupid as before. The Court at length sent him away, Mr May remarking that, whatever nation he belonged to, he was no credit to it.

The theatrical entertainment given by the amateurs of the Band of the 74th Highlanders last night at the Garrison Theatre was one of the best performances that have ever been afforded the public in that place. The attendance was also exceptionally large. A great failing in these entertainments hitherto has been in the representations of the female parts, but last night the two leading female characters received a really capital rendering by Messrs S. Esdaile and J. Mackinnon. The female representations at the previous performance given at the Theatre by another company were simply ludicrous. The farcical comedy "Checkmate" was intensely enjoyed last night; the farce "A Day after the Fair" was not quite so successful, the fault, however, of the piece. To-night the performance will be repeated.

The Band 74th Highlanders will perform the following programme at the Officers' Mess, to-morrow night, commencing at 9.15 p.m.—

*March..... Tannhauser..... Wagner.
Overture..... La Dame Blanche..... Boieldieu.
Selection..... Macbeth..... Verdi.
Value..... Debussy..... Gung'l.
Selection..... William Tell..... Rossini.
Galop..... Fidelio! Reale..... Pistof.
Ma J. BUCHANAN, Band Master.*

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 26th June, 1878.—

	European.	Chinese.
Thursday, June 20th,	65	378
Friday, 21st,	69	352
Saturday, 22nd,	71	265
Sunday, 23rd,	78	Sunday
Monday, 24th,	75	405
Tuesday, 25th,	57	270
Wednesday, 26th,	50	252
Totals,	465	1,922
Grand total,	2,307.	

Macao.

A LETTER from Macao says:—"Our Governor has been unwell now for several days, and it is said that the malady that afflicts him is more serious than is generally supposed to be.

"Wild rumours are flying about here regarding a telegram somebody has received, speaking of a revolution that has broken out in Minho, Estremadura and other parts of the kingdom of Portugal, &c., &c.; but I am not going to say any more—you will doubtless have heard the particulars ere this reaches you."

"Mr. Assunçao, chief clerk of the Exchequer, is going to your Colony to pay the Hongkong Bank the sum of \$147,000, lent to us to repair the destructions caused by the big typhoon of 1874."

Mr. Pio Carvalho, thanks to the disclosures made by the *China Mail*, has been set at liberty by the new judge, who on his way to Macao from Lisbon read on board the *White Cloud* the said article, and the very first of His Lordship's judicial acts was the liberation of the poor man, and the restitution of all his jewelry and other goods which had been confiscated. The finding of the Court, which occupies ten pages of foolscap, entirely acquits Carvalho of the charge. Subscriptions are being made at the Coast Ports by the victim's friends to show in tangible way their sympathy with him in his distress."

MARINE COURT OF ENQUIRY.

LOSS OF THE BRITISH BARQUE "KNIGHT OF SNOWDEN."

A Court of Enquiry was held to-day at the Harbour Office to investigate into the circumstances attending the loss of the British barque *Knight of Snowden*. The Court comprised the Hon. C. May (President), J. P. McEwan Esq., (Acting Harbour Master), N. J. Ede, Esq., (unofficial Justice of the Peace), Captain McMichael (Marine Surveyor), and J. G. Selkirk, Esq., master of the British ship *Sarah Nicholson*. Charles Richardson, the master, was first examined; he said: "The *Knight of Snowden*, a barque, left Newcastle (N.S.W.) 3rd April, with 948 tons of coal, bound for Manila. The crew consisted of 16 men all told including myself. We cleared St. Bernardino Straits on the 2nd instant, and on Wednesday, the 12th instant, at 3 p.m. St. Iago Point was abeam. There was a moderate leading breeze, the vessel was going about 4 knots through the water. The weather was a little cloudy. The vessel struck about 10 p.m., the moon was shining brightly. The Chief Officer was in charge of the watch and reported the bearings of St. Iago Point to me. I was on deck at the time, the point bore N.E. by E., distant between 4 and 5 miles. I left the deck shortly after 9 o'clock, having shaped the course. I did not turn in, but fell asleep inside the cabin door, being wearied with

the exhaustion of the last day or two. I was aroused by the mate knocking at the door who said that we were drawing to the land, as there were breakers on the starboard bow. I immediately went on deck, and found the wind had fallen very light. I gave the orders to put the ship about and found she would not "stay." The vessel scarcely came head to wind when she hung. I eased off the ice for braces and checked the weather braces, but she would not come round. "I gave orders to clear away the port anchor and let it go. I did not attempt to "wear" ship, as I could see indication of shoal water between the ship and the shore. A cast of the lead was made, and I found there were five fathoms of water. All the crew were on deck. The anchor was let go and the ship immediately afterwards struck, the cable was leading astern when the vessel struck. The sals were at once clewed up, the vessel meanwhile bumping very heavily. At midnight we found a 6 feet of water in the hold. I ordered the ice boat and gig to be got out. I sounded round the ship and found no less than 44 fathoms in any part. The ship was at top of a pinnacle and was rolling about furiously. We saved the chronometers and ship's papers. A lot of the ship's furniture was got on deck ready for removal, if possible, when the cabin got full of water. I left the ship at 3 a.m., the water was then washing over the deck and she appeared to be going to turn over momentarily. I decided to abandon her, after consulting with the Chief Mate. We lay off from the wreck until daylight, and at that time I noticed that her quarter galleries were under water. A schooner hove in sight about 6.30 a.m., and we embarked in her, reaching Manila about midnight, where we went to the British Consul and made the declaration produced. It is signed by myself and the Officers. My certificate as well as those of the first and second officers were lost by a mishap at the wreck. I have been in command of the *Knight of Snowden* nearly 14 years. The officers and crew behaved very well during the whole time they were with me. We arrived here by the S.S. *Emerald*.

By the Court—*I* did not take any cross bearings; I say it was possible to have taken them. The vessel was built of iron; the compasses have not been adjusted since the first voyage she made, but I have been in the habit of correcting them as frequently as possible; sometimes as often as three times a day. I got an altitude at sunset on the evening of the 12th and found the compass error to be 12 degrees westerly. I took the observation by the steering compass, and, from that time until the ship struck, so far as I know, the course was not altered.

We were steering N.W. by N. ½ N. by compass, giving true course of N.W. ½ N.

The fore part of the day the current was against us, but in the afternoon there was none noticeable. I have never been through the St. Bernardino Straits before.

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I may remark that during the day under the Colonade by Messrs Kruse & Co.'s shop, coolies were congregated in such numbers as positively to blockade the path.

Yours, &c.,

ON LOOKER.

PAKHOI, the only southern port opened in virtue of the Chefoo Convention, is situated in the North-east corner of the Gulf of Tonquin. It is entirely a modern port, and its beginning, so far as I can make out, does not extend further back than about thirty years, at which time the buildings consisted of only a few fishermen's huts. The success of the port is owing originally to its harbour, and to its having for many years been free from Customs duties. The harbour remains, but there is now a Custom House, and the ports of Haiphong and Chin-chow, locally called Hunchow, have been opened, and I propose to show how these events have seriously affected the trade of Pakhoi.

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